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SUBJECT: PRESS REPORTING ON FAHMY'S ACTIVITIES RE ME WAR SCARE

1. CAIRO NEWSPAPERS NOV 18 LEAD WITH STORY THAT PRESIDENT SADAT PREVIOUS DAY SENT URGENT MESSAGE TO ASAD PROVIDING EGYPT'S "VISUALIZATION" OF CURRENT MILITARY SITUATION AND DESCRIBING SADAT'S CONTACTS WITH BREZHNEV AND PRESIDENT FORD.

2. FONMIN FAHMY, ACCORDING TO PRESS, MET NOV 17 WITH AMBASSADOR EILTS AT LATTER'S REQUEST FOR SECOND TIME IN 24 HOURS. AMBASSADOR DELIVERED WASHINGTON'S REPLY TO SADAT'S SATURDAY MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT FORD. GUMHURIYYA REPORTS USG EXPRESSED "ANXIETY" OVER AREA DEVELOPMENTS AND AFFIRMED USG CONTINUING CONTACTS IN ORDER PREVENT FLARE-UP LEADING TO NEW WAR. AHRAM SAYS AMBASSADOR EILTS BRIEFED FAHMY ON PRESIDENT FORD'S CONTACTS MADE DURING PREVIOUS 48 HOURS WITH USSR AND ME CAPITALS, TO EASE TENSE SITUATION. MFA SOURCE REPORTEDLY SAID FAHMY INFORMED AMBASSADOR THAT US, AS PROMINENT SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBER, HAS SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR PEACE IN UNCLASSIFIED

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AREA, AND WARNED AGAINST "GRAVE CONSEQUENCES" WHICH WOULD

RESULT FROM THE "ISRAELI MOVEMENT" ON SYRIAN FRONT.

3. FAHMY REPORTEDLY ALSO RECEIVED CHIEFS OF MISSION OF OTHER SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBERS: AUSTRIA, PERU, AUSTRALIA, INDONESIA AND UK. UK AMBASSADOR IS REPORTED TO HAVE DELIVERED MESSAGE FROM CALLAGHAN EXPRESSING ANXIETY OVER INCREASING TENSION AND BRIEFED FAHMY ON DIRECT CONTACTS HMG MADE WITH CONCERNED PARTIES TO PREVENT DETERIORATION OF SITUATION.
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